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REVIEW OF "RADIO BROADCAST RECEIVERS, REPAIR AND ADJUSTMENT" BY YE. A. LEVITIN, S. I. GIRSHGORN, V. N. KRAKAU, V. P. PEVISOV

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Books on the operation and repair of broadcasting equipment are especially welcome during the present campaign for complete radiofication of the USSR. This second edition of Radio Broadcast Receivers (Radioveshchatel'nyye priyemniki. Remont i nalazhivanive, published by All-Union Cooperative Publishing Company), however, has not been brought up-to-date in all respects, despite the rewriting of several chapters.

This book is intended for radio engineers and practical technicians but there is no mention of Soviet amateur radio operators, although the former are chiefly drawn from amateur ranks.

The authors made little use of data published in periodicals. This could have been done, without greatly lengthening the book, by lists of recommended articles with brief comments.

Not enough attention is paid to the importance of test equipment in locating trouble and in making repairs and adjustments. Furthermore, no descriptions are given to show how technicians can improvise their own test sets. A list of the apparatus needed for a repair shop and a section on the best methods of soldering, working materials, riveting plastics, organic glass, etc., would have been desirable.

The second edition has been somewhat improved; external views of the receivers have been provided and the schematic diagrams are more conveniently arranged for ready reference, but there are many errata. Considering the 15,000 copies printed, the price, 27 rubles, is too high.

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